

FCC Morse code requirements

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I strongly support removing the Morse code requirement from all licensing requirements. I am a recent Technician Class amateur licensee. I have entered this new hobby at mid-life, and recognize I have much to learn about this wonderful avocation.

I have spoken with a number of experienced Hams who say they learned just enough code to pass the minimum Morse code test, and have never used it again. Current technology does not require Morse code as an essential skill to communicate. My priority is to learn as much as I can about radio by networking with my peers who are more skilled in the radio technology. Morse code serves no purpose for me to advance in my knowledge of theory and practice.

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